

MINUTE ITEM

30. SELECTION OF VACANT FEDERAL LAND, LIEU LAND APPLICATION NO. 10773-I, LOS ANGELES LAND DISTRICT, SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, GEORGE MCCARTHY - S.W.O. 5804.

After consideration of Calendar Item 1 attached, and upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

THE COMMISSION DETERMINES THAT IT IS TO THE ADVANTAGE OF THE STATE TO SELECT THE FEDERAL LAND EMBRACED IN THE N $\frac{1}{2}$ OF SECTION 33, T. 4 N., R. 3 E., AND S $\frac{1}{2}$ OF SECTION 20, T. 4 N., R. 4 E., S.B.M., CONTAINING A TOTAL OF 640 ACRES IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, AND APPROVES THE SELECTION OF THE SAID LAND.

Attachment

Calendar Item 1 (1 page)

CALENDAR ITEM

1.

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An offer was received from George McCarthy of Apple Valley, California, to purchase the N $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 33, T. 4 N., R. 3 E., and the S $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 20, T. 4 N., R. 4 E., S.B.M., containing a total of 640 acres in San Bernardino County. The applicant made an offer of \$3,200, or \$5 per acre.

Subsequently, the applicant advised that he did not desire to proceed with acquisition of the land, and his application was cancelled at his request prior to completion of any appraisal work.

The N $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 33, T. 4 N., R. 3 E., S.B.M., is located approximately 16 miles east of Lucerne Valley in the southwestern portion of Johnson Valley. Twenty-nine Palms Road traverses the parcel from northwest to southeast through the W $\frac{1}{2}$ of parcel. A dry creek meanders through the parcel, which is flat, smooth desert land, lying at an elevation of approximately 3000 feet.

The S $\frac{1}{2}$ of said Section 20 is approximately 21 miles east of Lucerne Valley in the approximate center of Johnson Valley. Access is by 14 miles of paved road and 7 miles of unimproved dirt road. The parcel is flat to gentle sloping desert land with a few small washes in the approximate center. The elevation is approximately 2700 feet.

There is no water on the parcels; however, there are several good producing wells in the area and water prospects in this specific area are considered good.

The selection of the subject land is considered to be to the advantage of the State in that it will assist in satisfying deficiencies under the School Land Grant.

The State's application to select the land has been accepted by the Bureau of Land Management and the land was listed (conveyed) to the State on July 12, 1961.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION DETERMINE THAT IT IS TO THE ADVANTAGE OF THE STATE TO SELECT THE FEDERAL LAND EMBRACED IN THE N $\frac{1}{2}$ OF SECTION 33, T. 4 N., R. 3 E., AND S $\frac{1}{2}$ OF SECTION 20, T. 4 N., R. 4 E., S.B.M., CONTAINING A TOTAL OF 640 ACRES IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, AND APPROVE THE SELECTION OF THE SAID LAND.